## What Is Claimed Is:

- 1. A system for submitting loan data to a plurality of automated loan evaluation engines, each automated loan evaluation engine programmed to receive loan data and return results, comprising:
  - a) an engine launcher in communication with the plurality of automated engines, the engine launcher submitting loan data to the automated engines and receiving results from the automated engines, the engine launcher submitting loan data under the control of a set of business rules; and
  - b) a best results filter that determines a set of best results from the results received by the engine launcher based upon financial data associated with the results.
- 2. The system of claim 1, further comprising:
  - a selection filter that compares the loan data to published guidelines for the plurality of automated engines and creates a selected subset of automated engines based upon the comparison;
  - wherein the engine launcher submits the loan data only to the selected subset of automated engines.
- 3. The system of claim 2, wherein the business rules define a plurality of strategies, with each strategy being associated with a particular subset of automated engines.
- 4. The system of claim 1, wherein the automated engines impose requirements to be accomplished along with their results, and the best results filter determines the set of best results in part by assigning financial costs to the requirements imposed on the results.
- 5. A system for analyzing interest from a plurality of investors in purchasing a loan from a lender comprising:
  - a) a selection filter that compares loan data to published guidelines for the plurality of investors and creates a selected set of investors from the plurality of investors based upon the comparison;

- a plurality of automated engines associated with the plurality of investors,
  each automated engine programmed to receive loan data and return
  results;
- c) an engine launcher in communication with the selection filter and the plurality of automated engines, the engine launcher submitting loan data to the automated engines under the control of predefined business rules, and the engine launcher receiving results from the automated engines; and
- d) a best results filter that determines a set of best results from the results received by the engine launcher based upon financial data associated with the results.
- 6. A method for submitting loan data to a plurality of automated engines, the method comprising the steps of:
  - a) collecting the loan data;
  - b) selecting from among the plurality of automated engines a selected subset of automated engines based upon content of the loan data;
  - c) submitting the loan data to the subset of automated engines according to business rules;
  - d) receiving a plurality of results from the automated engines;
  - e) selecting a set of best results by comparing financial data related to the plurality results; and
  - f) presenting the set of best results.
- 7. The method of claim 6, wherein the step of selecting a selected subset of automated engines further comprises comparing the loan data to published guidelines for the plurality of automated engines.
- 8. The system of claim 7, wherein the business rules define a plurality of strategies, with each strategy being associated with a particular subset of automated engines.
- 9. The system of claim 6, wherein the automated engines impose requirements to be accomplished along with their results, and wherein the step of selecting a set

- of best results further comprises assigning financial costs or preferences to the requirements imposed on the results.
- 10. A method for analyzing interest from a plurality of investors in purchasing a loan from a lender, the method comprising the steps of:
  - a) collecting loan data about the loan;
  - b) selecting from among the plurality of investors a selected set of investors willing to purchase the loan based upon content of the loan data;
  - c) submitting the loan data to one or more automated engines associated with the selected set of investors;
  - d) receiving a plurality of results from the automated engines;
  - e) comparing financial data related to the results to select a subset of best results from the plurality of results; and
  - f) presenting the best results.
- 11. The method of claim 10, wherein the step of comparing financial data includes the step of assigning financial costs to requirements imposed on the results by the investors.
- 12. The method of claim 10, wherein the selected set of investors is a subset of the plurality of investors, whereby at least one investor is excluded from the selected set based upon the content of the loan data.